

REMARKS

Applicant thanks the Examiner for acknowledging the claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119, and receipt of a certified copy of the priority document submitted July 10, 2003.

Status of the Application

Claims 1-4 are all the claims pending in the Application, as claims 3 and 4 are hereby added to more fully define the current invention. Claims 1 and 2 have been rejected.

Anticipation Rejection

The Examiner has rejected claims 1 and 2 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by *Kataja* (US 2002/0057029 A1; hereinafter “*Kataja*”). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Kataja discloses a coil holder 1 arranged in an opening of a circuit board 6 (par. 0001). The weight of the holder 1 is supported on circuit board 6 by flanges (par. 0020 and Fig. 3). Connectors 2 simply run from circuit board 6 to holder 1 in a U-shape to provide an electrical connection therebetween (pars. 0016-0019).

The Examiner takes the position that this arrangement discloses all of the features recited in independent claim 1.

Applicant respectfully disagrees, and submits that *Kataja* fails to teach or suggest “a horizontal support portion formed at the pins of the bobbin in parallel relation to an upper surface of the printed circuit board, for allowing the bobbin to be supported on the upper surface of the printed circuit board when the bobbin is inserted into the receiving hole.”

Specifically, there is simply no indication in *Kataja* that its connectors 2 have any “support portion” comparable to that recited in claim 1. Applicant respectfully submits that just because *Kataja*’s connectors 2 have portions that are parallel to the surface of circuit board 6 does not make these portions “support portions,” as there is no teaching or suggestion that they provide any “support” of the frame part 1. In fact, as clearly disclosed in *Kataja*, the support of frame part 1 is provided by flange-like edges (see par. [0020]), not by connectors 2.

Thus, Applicant respectfully submits that independent claim 1 is patentable over the applied reference. Further, Applicant respectfully submits that rejected dependent claim 2 is allowable, *at least* by virtue of its dependency.

Thus, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw this rejection.

New Claims

Claims 3 and 4 are hereby added. Claims 3 and 4 are fully supported *at least* by FIG. 3 of the instant Application. Claims 3 and 4 are respectfully submitted to be allowable *at least* by virtue of their dependency.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1-4 are allowable. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that the application now is in condition for allowance with all of the claims 1-4.

If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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Please charge any fees which may be required to maintain the pendency of this application, except for the Issue Fee, to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

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